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Defendant's current deadline to file an answer or pre-answer motion to dismiss is April 27, 2020, and the new deadline would be May 27, 2020.

DATED this 30th day of March 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

NICHOLAS A. TRUTANICH United States Attorney

/s/ James A. Blum JAMES A. BLUM Assistant United States Attorney

MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

On January 13, 2020, Plaintiffs filed a civil action against Defendant, seeking damages, attorney's fees, and costs. Complaint ECF No. 1. The service date of the Complaint was February 25, 2020. Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(a)(2), Defendant, as a government entity, had sixty days to serve its answer or pre-answer motion to dismiss. The sixtieth day from the date of service falls on April 25, 2020, which is a Saturday; accordingly, Defendant's current deadline to file an answer or pre-answer motion to dismiss is April 27, 2020. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 6(a)(1).

The parties are currently engaged in settlement negotiations. Defendant submits that good cause exists for this Court to extend by thirty days Defendant's deadline to file an answer or pre-answer motion to dismiss because (1) the parties believe that a thirty-day extension will allow them to conclude their settlement negotiations; and (2) allowing the parties to attempt to settle this matter without litigation stands to save the parties and this Court substantial time and resources. Counsel for Defendant (Assistant United States Attorney James A. Blum) and counsel for Plaintiffs (J. Taylor Oblad, on behalf of Tingey & Tingey Law Firm) have discussed this matter, and the parties agree to the proposed extension of time for Defendant to file an answer or pre-answer motion to dismiss.

This Motion is not submitted solely for the purpose of delay or for any other improper purpose.

| 1 | WHEREFORE, Defendant respectfully requests that this Motion be granted and |
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| 2 | that Defendant's deadline to file an answer or pre-answer motion to dismiss be extended by |
| 3 | thirty days, to and including May 27, 2020. |
| 4 | DATED this 30th day of March 2020. |
| 5 | Respectfully submitted, |
| 6 | NICHOLAS A. TRUTANICH |
| 7 | United States Attorney |
| 8 | <u>/s/ James A. Blum</u> JAMES A. BLUM |
| 9 | Assistant United States Attorney |
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| 11 | IT IS SO ORDERED: |
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| 13 | United States Magistrate Judge |
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